# Opening doors to benefits, education, and jobs for veterans



# UTAH DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS & MILITARY AFFAIRS

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# **MISSION**

WE SERVE VETERANS, MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS, AND THEIR FAMILIES by opening doors to benefits, education, and jobs, while advocating for Utah's military bases.

# VISION

UTAH WILL BE THE BEST PLACE in the nation to perform military missions and be recognized as a premier location for Military, Veterans, Reservists and their families to live and succeed.

#### **VETS IN UTAH**



**WWII Veterans** 





Korean Veterans

44, 751 Vietnam Veterans





31,948 Cold War/Peacetime Veterans

61,544

**Current Conflict** Veterans

Total Veterans in Utah FY 2016

\*Veterans Counted multiple times if served in more than one grouping\*



# **EMPLOYMENT**

**Unemployment rate for Veterans:** 2017 - 2018

Dec - 2.7%

Jan - 2.9%

Feb - 2.7%



**Utah Patriot Partners: February** 

FY2017 - 1,869 FY2018 - 2, 073

**Veterans on Unemployment: February** 

> FY2017 - 826 FY2018 - 659

## **VETERANS AFFAIRS**

FY2013 VA compensation and pension FY2016

\$499,000,000 \$351,000,000

> **VA Healthcare Enrolled** FY2017 FY2014

54,471 59.338

**VA** Data

**UTAH VETERANS ECONOMIC IMPACT:** 

• 24,000 supported jobs

MILITARY INSTALLATIONS - Total Annual Economic Impact 2017

Hill Air Force Base 20.000 personnel

48,000 supported jobs

**Dugway Proving Ground** 

• 1,500 personnel 2,500 supported jobs Tooele Army Depot

42%

2%

550 personnel

• 1,100 supported jobs

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# **OBJECTIVES:**

- Ensure the delivery of responsive, well-planned and effective services to veterans, military and their families through coordination with government agencies, academia, private partners and non-profit organizations.
- Coordinate efforts to develop and expand workload on Utah's military installations.
- Improve the quality of life for Utah's veterans, military and their families by increasing awareness and access to appropriate federal, state and local resources.
- Promote and coordinate events throughout the state whick develop and build respect for those who have served.
- Compete for national recognition as the leading innovator in the delivery of services to veterans military and their families.
- Build a strong network of partners, stakeholders and champions with federal, state and local organizations.

# OUTREACH / CONNECTIONS TO VETERANS

CONTACTS	GENERAL	IINTEINSIVE	CLAIIVIS	
July - December 2017	9, 001	5, 452	July - December 2017	1, 781
July - December 2016	8, 611	3, 128	July - December 2016	1, 064
July - December 2015	7, 513	2, 473	July - December 2015	592

#### CENTRAL UTAH OUTREACH

11 County Area 30, 000 Veterans **50,000** Contacts 1,596 Contacts 614 Claims 1,843 Contacts 130 Claims

Gulf War, Iraq, Afghanistan

**CURRENT CONFLICT OUTREACH** 

# **EDUCATION** (Using GI Bill)

7,443 # of Institutions # of Students 263 3,998

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## **VETERANS COURTS**

# 2 District, 1 Metro, 1 Federal

**Participants** Current



## VETERANS HOME RESIDENTS

Occupancy - 98% ★ 5 Star Rated Veterans - 376 854 in FY2017 Family - 31 Employees - 800 Total Residents - 407 Payroll - \$20 mm Ogden | Salt Lake | Payson | Ivins

Web: veterans.utah.gov

# **VETERAN STUDENT SUPPORT CENTER**

USU, WSU, U of U, SLCC, UVU, SUU, DSU, WMU

**4.600** Veterans

Orientation, Counseling, Wellness, Needs Assessment

# **VETERANS INFORMATION SYSTEM DATABASE**

1, 263 - New files weekly 276, 585 - Registered Veterans



## **CEMETERY INTERMENTS**

Casket to Cremains - 50:50 FY2015 - 431 FY2016 - 471 Veterans to Spouses - 80:20 FY2017 - 493

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